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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	James E. Issler
Serial No. 10/625,967	Filing Date: July 24, 2003
Title of Application:	IMPROVED LACING SYSTEM
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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Post Office Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response to First Official Action

In response to the Official Action of July 2, 2004, Applicant herewith presents its amendment and remarks. Please amend the specification and claims as detailed below.

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MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT
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**Response Transmittal and
Calculation of Fee for Claims**

Dear Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for this Application in response to the Official Action of July 2, 2004.
2. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

Claims after amendment	22	
Number already paid for	<u>20</u> = 2 @ \$18.00 =	\$36.00
Independent claims after amendment	3	
Independent claims already paid for	<u>2</u> = 0 @ \$86.00 =	<u>.00</u>
Additional Claims Fee		\$36.00

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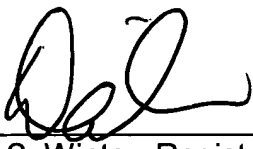
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3. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$36.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

August 11, 2004



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